

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

SHERIDON SHELBY, §
Plaintiff, §
§
v. § No. 3:18-cv-532-B (BT)
§
KWIK CAR/GUIDE STAR, §
Defendant. §

ORDER

Plaintiff filed a motion for appointment of counsel. A plaintiff in a civil action is not entitled to court-appointed counsel as a matter of right. *Lopez v. Reyes*, 692 F.2d 15, 17 (5th Cir. 1982). Rather, the decision whether to appoint counsel for an indigent litigant rests within the sound discretion of the trial court. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(1). In this case, the Defendant has not yet filed an answer. The Court therefore denies the motion without prejudice as premature.

SO ORDERED.

Signed March 20, 2018.


REBECCA RUTHERFORD
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE